# Mountain Weather Forecast

## North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 16 Mar 2023 until 23:59 on Friday 17 Mar 2023

Forecast Issued on Thursday 16 Mar 2023 at 02:11 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High next few days, medium by Sunday

**Headline for Thursday 16 Mar 2023:** Cloudy with rain or showers and hill fog. Perhaps brightening in far northeast.

**Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 16 Mar 2023**

**Blizzards**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent snow**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
No Likelihood

**Gales**
Low Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
Medium Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
High Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
Low Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
No Likelihood

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Heavy Rain | Heavy Rain | Heavy Rain | Heavy Rain | Light rain | Light rain |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| >95% | 90% | 70% | 70% | 70% | 70% |

**Forecast for Thursday 16 Mar 2023**

**Weather:** Remaining cloudy with rain, outbreaks heavy at times, also initially snow across highest tops. Rain turning more showery during the afternoon, perhaps brightening up in the far northeast towards Strathdon**.**

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 10%, rising 30% in far northeast later

**Low cloud and visibility:** Extensive cloud 600-900m, perhaps breaking later in far northeast. Poor visibility at times below the cloud in rain or showers.

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**Forecast for Thursday 16 Mar 2023**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 19/22 S | 23/26 S | 30/39 S | 35/47 SW | 33/44 SW | 29/40 SW | 28/39 SW |
| **900** | 13/16 S | 13/16 S | 28/34 S | 32/39 S | 29/36 SW | 27/34 SW | 27/34 SW |
| **600** | 8/9 NE | 7/10 NE | 10/14 S | 20/28 SW | 18/25 SW | 17/25 SW | 18/26 SW |
| **300** | 1/3 NW | 1/4 SW | 3/7 SW | 4/15 SW | 5/16 SW | 8/22 SW | 8/22 SW |
| **Glen** | 1/5 SW | 2/9 S | 5/18 SW | 5/20 SW | 4/20 SW | 4/20 SW | 4/20 SW |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | -0/-7 | 1/-5 | 0/-7 | 0/-8 | 0/-8 | -0/-8 | -0/-8 |
| **900** | 4/-1 | 5/1 | 5/-1 | 4/-2 | 4/-2 | 4/-2 | 3/-3 |
| **600** | 2/-2 | 2/-1 | 5/2 | 6/2 | 6/2 | 6/1 | 5/1 |
| **300** | 1/0 | 2/1 | 4/2 | 6/5 | 6/5 | 6/4 | 6/3 |
| **Glen** | 1/-0 | 1/-0 | 5/3 | 8/6 | 8/6 | 7/5 | 5/4 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 1300m | 1900m | 1800m | 1900m | 1600m | 1500m | 1400m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Nothing extra.

**Forecast for Friday 17 Mar 2023**
**Weather:** A sunny start in northeast of the area otherwise mostly cloudy with rain or showers, and some hill fog.

**Maximum wind:** Southerly 25 gusts 35mph easing slightly later.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 50% at first in northeast otherwise 20%

**Low cloud and visibility:** Cloud at 600-750m, but little at first in northeast. Visibility away from cloud moderate or good though poor in heavier showers.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 7 rising to Plus 12 Celsius
**At 800m:** Plus 4 Celsius
**Freezing level:** Above the summits

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